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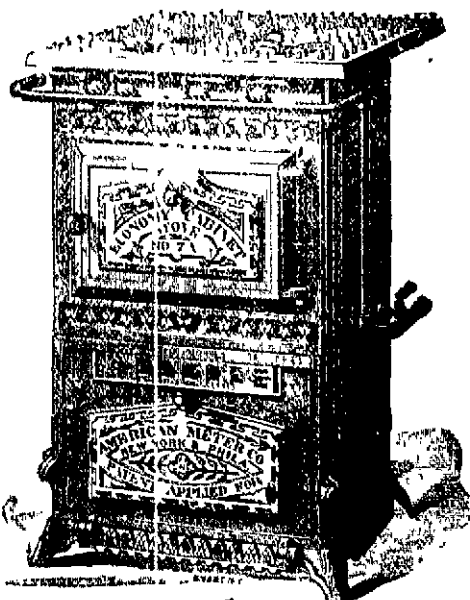
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June 17-111

WASHINGTON SQUARE

A Curious Incident of the Metropolis Graph-
ically Depicted.

(Special Correspondence.)

New York, Dec. 12.—One bright day, not
long ago I strolled from Broadway down Wa-
verly place into Washington square. A soli-
tary policeman kept watch and ward. Hun-
dreds of children were playing on the grass
plots, while nearly the same number were
being perambulated round the grass walks by
nursemaids of all races and every variety of
color and form. The fountain had ceased to
play, but crowds of small boys failed to profit
by the example, and, with shouts of triumph
or disgust, competed for laurels in the
arduous struggles of "leap frog." One of
the crowds attracted my special attention.
The boy who was "giving his back" was not
an ordinary youth. He wore a cap with a
badge, a blue coat with brass buttons, and
an accentuated stripe upon abbreviated
pants. In fact he was a messenger boy.
Doubtless he carried a telegram in his pocket,
and, at the very moment his exulting friends
were using him as a vaulting pole, in fancy's
ear I heard the sender of the message mutter
to himself: "I'm glad I gave that boy a
quarter and got his promise not to look at a
shop window or stop for a moment on the
way. I was interested in this boy's destiny,
and was pleased to find that when he ceased
to be a vaulting pole his higher nature—the
messenger portion—got the better of him,
and with a wild war whoop he went about his
business."

On the numerous benches, scattered around
the silent fountain, and among the grateful
shade of many trees, were children of a
larger growth. They did not form pleasant
looking groups. For the most part the men
seemed to be loafers or something worse, and
the women—who in every class of life man-
age to appear more respectable than men of
the same class—were untidy. I got down for
a moment next to a big, cold man who
was reading a sensational paper. On his
right a decent young man in a German
paper. On my left a Frenchman smoked
a cigarette, and a few remote a country-
man of Vienna. This variety was thrilling an
Italian. I was, I thought, and but
however, I forgot the language, all were
untidy, common bands of idleness and her
two brother paces.

I spoke to them and to the Frenchman
and could get nothing but a grunt from each.
The Italian and the German did not seem
commune with me, so I rose and took myself
and went to a quiet corner where I had a
long bench all to myself.

Washington square is an interesting spot.
I met the other day a gentleman who has not
yet reached the advanced limit of life and
he remembered when the square was the pot-
ter's field of its district. "If you dig four feet
beneath the surface of any part of the square,"
he said, "you will come upon human re-
mains." When built up the square remained
for some years one of the most aristocratic
neighborhoods in the city. Henry James
celebrates it in a novel, and we all know that
this author's strong point is his knowledge of
high life, "jokes" and belted knights and all
that. But fashion moved in other directions
and left the old square desolate with, liter-
ally, only one fourth of its former respecta-
bility.

As I was about to leave my comfortable
seclusion an old time man, with gold rimmed
spectacles, tall silk hat and coat of broad-
cloth, sat down beside me. After a time we
exchanged papers and commented on the
cable news. Gradually the old man was
brought up to speak about the square.
"Do you not block," he said, pointing to
the hand and brick buildings on the
north side of the square, "that is one of the finest
rows of buildings in the city. The church and
university make the east side passably re-
spectable. The west side is a white sepul-
cher, and the south side is a waste. Do you
see that ill-mannered mill that belongs
to a politician? It is one of the most disrepu-
table buildings in this vast city. It is an Italian
saloon, frequented by poor but not vicious
people. In that particular house—here he
pointed with his stick—"I believe firmly that
robberies and assaults are arranged almost
every day of the year. Do the police know
about that? I should smile. You just come
here and hang over a sofa for one week.
Mark it. I have people sitting on it every
day now, on these benches. Watch their
movements, their talk, if you are not afraid
and carry a pistol in your pocket. Come
round a quarter of eight in the morning and
if you do not see something fit to make the
angels weep then I am not an American citizen.
Yes my friend this quarter is a sadly
demoralized place, a haunt for thieves and
criminals, and it is a pity, because as you
can see for yourself, the grass and flowers are
beautiful." H. L.

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in the ears, constant burning or itching in
the throat, and a feeling of constriction
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breath is offensive, and the taste is im-
paired. There is a constant sense of dizziness with
mental depression, a hacking cough and gen-
eral debility. Only a few of the above-men-
tioned symptoms are likely to be present in any one
case. Hundreds of cases annually without
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bladder.

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such a bad one that every day I would
sweat my voice would become so hoarse I could
barely speak above a whisper. In the morning
my coughing and clearing of my throat would
disturb me. By the use of Dr. Sage's
Catarrh Remedy, in three months I was a well
man and the cure has been permanent."

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Dr. J. J. H. says: "I was a great sufferer
from Catarrh of the bladder for three years. At times I could
hardly breathe and was constantly coughing
and spitting, and for the last eight months
could not breathe through the nostrils. I
thought nothing could be done for me. Luck-
ily, I was advised to try Dr. Sage's Catarrh
Remedy, and I am now a well man. I believe
it to be the only sure remedy for Catarrh now
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fair trial to experience astounding results and a
permanent cure."

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she was five years old, very badly. I saw Dr.
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chased a bottle for her, and soon saw that it
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cure. She is now eighteen years old and
sound and hearty."

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WEDNESDAY EVE., DEC. 14, 1887.

PLYMOUTH church invited an English divine to become Mr. Beecher's successor, and he declined. Now suppose it tries its blandishments upon some Yankee preacher. There are plenty of them to be had, and better ones than England can produce, too.

THE Democratic papers do a vast deal of blowing about the handful of Republicans here and there who endorse Mr. Cleveland's free trade message. We are told that these men "rise above party." Alas, when a Republican finds it convenient to enter the Democratic party, he travels in the other direction. He does not "rise" to any perceptible degree.

THE Supreme Court of Indiana has made the highly commendable ruling that railroad employees have the right to summarily eject from a train any passenger who may use improper language in the presence of ladies. The decision was given in the suit of E. J. Wolfe, of Mitchell, Ind., for \$20,000 damages for ejectment from a Louisville, New Albany and Chicago train, some months ago, the court upholding the action of the officials in putting him off.

THE Chicago Tribune prints with much glee the endorsement of the President's message by President McCosh, of Princeton college. It is curious how these fellows who have only been a few years away from the free trade influences of England, agree so well in their advocacy of Mr. Cleveland's free trade opinions. Dr. McCosh spent a lifetime in his native land, he is one coming to America, and that he was too old before emigrating is shown by the fact that he cannot throw off the incubus of early training, but is still English, you know.

A LATE Philadelphia Press dispatch from Washington, states that paper that the proposed attack upon the protective tariff system is likely to fail, even in the House of Representatives, a belief entertained by those who have calmly looked over the ground and whose opinions are not warped by partisanship or self-interest. A bad bill, such as was Morrison's, is likely to be presented, but unless it is framed to suit protectionists, who are as anxious for a proper revision of the tariff as the free traders are to break down the system altogether, it will utterly fail.

MUCH interest is already centering in the election to be held in Minnesota next winter of a United States Senator to succeed Senator Sabin, whose term will expire in March, 1889. There is no scarcity of candidates, the most prominent being Senator Sabin himself, Gordon N. Cole, of Southern Minnesota, and Congressman Knute Nelson, of Alexandria. It is said, too, that ex-Senator Windom, whom Sabin succeeded in 1883, is also in the field. There is also talk of Ignatius Donnelly's candidacy, and people are wondering, should the cipher man break into the senate, how long it would take him to swear that the Congressional Record was compiled by Annulus.

Sam Randall Bigger than Grover.

Washington Dispatch is Boston Traveller. From inside sources I learn that the Keystone statesman has been counting noses, and that he is assured of the support of thirty-eight protection Democratic upon any stand which he may take upon the tariff. The Democratic majority in the House is only fifteen, and it will be seen, therefore, that he only needs eight votes to combine with the R. politicians to defeat any tariff bill that may be introduced, and which does not suit him.

Talk About the Bottom Prices.

Dr. A. J. Stoner has knock at the *sub-bottom* and *top* out of all kinds of perfumes, and will sell lower than have been offered in any market, just now opening a FIVE HUNDRED DOLLAR lot of elegant perfumes bought at half-price. He intends to give his customers the benefit of this immense reduction, and see if we are not in earnest. dec10-d1w

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FROM WASHINGTON.

Third and Fourth-Class Postmasters Seeking Their Rights in Convention.

The Need of a Marine Hospital in New York—The Bill to Refund Direct Taxes.

A Tour of Inspection—Exports of Provisions for the Month of November—Presented to the President.

Third and Fourth-Class Postmasters in Convention.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The convention of third and fourth-class postmasters, who want increased compensation for their services, opened here yesterday. About three hundred of them, from every section of the country, were in attendance. Their grievance, briefly stated, is this: The fourth-class postmasters think that a salary based upon the receipts of the offices, as at present, is inadequate, while the postmasters of the third-class favor some action by Congress which will authorize the Government to provide them with offices properly equipped instead of having such expenses deducted from the salary of the postmaster as at present.

The convention was called to order by J. H. Patterson, the chairman of the National executive committee, and soon afterwards organized permanently by the selection of Mr. Robert White, of Michigan, as president, and Thomas J. Brady, J. G. Herzer, of Ohio, and E. A. Winchell, of Iowa, as secretaries.

A number of working committees were appointed, after which Mr. J. H. Fulmer, of Pennsylvania, read a statement which cited a typical case of postmasters of the third class, which he said illustrated the conditions which the entire class desired now to have remedied. In the case cited the salary of the postmaster was \$1,800 per year, and out of this he paid office rent, salary of assistant, fuel and other expenses, leaving for the postmaster \$371 for his annual salary. He said the box rents should go to the postmaster unless the Government furnished the outfit of the office. He said in his own case the outfit of his office cost him \$400, while the box rents, which the Government now takes, amounts to nearly \$300 per year. This paper was referred to the committee on bills.

Mr. Patterson called attention to the abuse of the regulation admitting newspaper mail matter to the second-class by which it was estimated that twenty-five tons were yearly sent through the mails. He said that papers which were merely advertising agencies for some patent medicine or some similar article obtained admission to the mails as second-class matter by merely inserting a paragraph or two of news matter. He said that something should be done to prevent the abuse of the mails regulations, and he suggested that a committee of five be appointed to consider this matter.

Other delegates spoke in the same vein, and after discussion the motion was adopted and the committee was appointed.

The convention after getting fairly organized and ready for work adjourned at 8 p. m. until this morning, when the reports of the committees will be read. At ten o'clock to-day the postmasters will call in a body on the Postmaster-General at the department, and at 11 a. m. will pay their respects to the President and Mrs. Cleveland at the Executive Mansion.

The Need of a Marine Hospital at New York.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The Secretary of the Treasury yesterday sent a letter to the Speaker of the House, concerning the need of a marine hospital at the port of New York, in accordance with the clause in the last sundry civil appropriation bill. He cites the reports of his predecessor to Congress on this subject, which, he says, seemed to have escaped the attention of the framers of the law. It is recommended that Congress make an appropriation of \$250,000 to enable the Secretary of the Treasury to establish a marine hospital at New York.

The Bill to Refund Direct Taxes Favorably Considered.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The Senate committee on finance held its first meeting yesterday morning, and ordered a favorable report on the Morrill bill to refund to the States the direct taxes imposed by the act of 1861. The aggregate is about fifteen million dollars.

A Tour of Inspection.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Secretary Endicott, accompanied by Adjutant-General Drum and Captain Taylor will leave Washington in a few days on a visit of inspection to the military prison at Fort Leavenworth. They will be absent about a week.

Exports of Provisions for November.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Exports of the principal articles of provisions from this country during November aggregated in value \$1,766,689, against \$1,751,655 in November, 1886.

Presented to the President.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Don Jose Burcardo, the newly accredited Minister from the United States of Colombia, was presented to the President yesterday by the Secretary of State.

THE FIFTIETH CONGRESS.

(First Session.)

SUNDAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—The annual report of the coast survey was received.

The bill to refund the direct tax to the States was received favorably, unanimously, from the finance committee.

Mr. Hour introduced the constitutional amendment to change the date of inauguration to April 30.

Mr. Cullom introduced bills to amend the Interstate Commerce law, and to establish a postal telegraph.

Mr. Reagan introduced a bill providing for an international silver coinage commission.

Mr. Wilson (La.) introduced a bill for a bureau of public documents.

Mr. Sawyer asked the Senate to recommend the appointment of a special committee on the postal telegraph and to refer that question to the post-office committee. The matter went over.

Mr. Platt introduced a resolution to amend the rules so as to provide for the consideration of treaties and nominations in open session, except when otherwise ordered. Referred to committee on rules.

Mr. Dolph called up the bill introduced by him yesterday, and proceeded to address the Senate on the subject of sea-coast defenses.

The bill was referred, and at the close of Mr. Dolph's remarks the Senate, on motion of Mr. Platt, adjourned at 1:35 p. m.

HOUSE.

A number of Executive communications were laid before the House and referred.

At 12:10 p. m. a recess was taken until one o'clock.

After recess Mr. Mills took the chair. Mr. Cannon (Ill.) offered a resolution, which was unanimously adopted, setting forth that the committee on elections consist of Messrs. Crisp (chairman), O'Farrell, Outwater, Barry, Marsh, Heard, Johnson (N. C.), O'Neill (Ind.) and Lodge.

The Speaker resumed the chair, and ordered that all papers relating to the contested election cases be referred to the committee, and at 1:10 p. m. the House adjourned until Friday.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Judge J. V. Eastace, of Dixon, Ill., is dead.

Detectives are exceedingly busy in and about Dublin.

Mr. Pyne, M. P., has escaped from his castle in Ireland.

Current rumor says the new French cabinet will collapse after the holidays.

The court declared no case has been established against Wilson, Grover's son-in-law.

Switzerland's new President is M. Hertenstein. M. Hammer is Vice-President.

Bourse brokers are responsible for the rumors that Count Ka'ndoky is about to resign.

President Carnot's message was read yesterday in the French Chamber of Deputies.

Orth H. Stein was held for trial at Pittsburgh for forging United States cancellation stamps.

The Senate committee on privileges and elections decided to send Faulkner, of West Virginia.

General Willoughby, ex-Ambassador of Madagascar to England, has been convicted of embezzlement.

The funeral of Archibald Boniface Wimmer took place at St. Vincent's Abbey, Westminster, London, Pa.

At Carbondale, Ill., Charles Handley shot and killed Webb Weller, whom he found in Mrs. Handley's room.

The Chamber of Commerce of Salt Lake City has issued a protest against the reduction of the tariff on lead and ores.

Land-owners of Ireland will demand compensation from the government for losses by reduction of rents and other causes.

The Reichstag refused to increase the tax on wheat and rye to six marks, but adopted another proposal for a duty of five marks.

Gladstone has written a letter in which he says the condition of Ireland has grown rapidly worse under the present government.

Governor Marmaduke, of Missouri, has issued a requisition for Harry Johnston and George P. Davis, the Reynolds County robbers.

English Catholics will present an address to Mr. Parnell, expressing a hope that the Pope will be led to assist Ireland in obtaining self-government.

Protest Against the Reduction of Duties on Lead and Lead Ores.

SALT LAKE, Utah, Dec. 14.—The Chamber of Commerce of Salt Lake City has adopted the following protest against the reduction of duties on lead and lead ores.

Resolved, by the Chamber of Commerce of Salt Lake City, that we earnestly protest against any reduction of the existing tariff duties on imported lead and lead ores. Such reduction would ruin thousands of our people, cause the lead and silver mines in this Territory, worth \$50,000,000, and producing three and a half millions annually with all the ore dressing and smelting plant, to become a total loss, reduce the freight earnings of the Utah railroads fifty per cent., throw a multitude of workmen out of employment, and ruin our industries and set back the growth of the Territory many years. There can be no object gained by reducing the duties on these products, sufficient to justify so enormous an injury to our people. A corresponding injury would be inflicted on the people of all the mining States and Territories and the destruction of the silver and lead mining and smelting interest would reduce the annual production of precious metals in the United States \$50,000,000. It would also materially reduce the revenue to the Government of the United States, and thus affect the freight earnings of all the railroads of the country.

The board of directors were authorized to take such action for the protection of industries mentioned as may be deemed necessary.

Meeting of Trunk Line Presidents.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The Trunk Line presidents met yesterday morning to consider the difficulties that have recently arisen between their roads and the Grand Trunk, of Canada, and which was caused by the cut in rates by the latter on dressed meats from the West. The several cuts which have been made by the company during the past three weeks, and which the trunk lines have been forced to meet, amounts in the aggregate to nearly fifty per cent. of former rates, and threatened a serious war. The cutting originated in the dissatisfaction of the Canadian railroad at the differential rate allowed it by the other and shorter lines.

Strong influence has recently been brought to bear on the road to cease lowering rates until after the meeting of the presidents. It is probable that some amicable settlement will be effected.

Among the officers present at yesterday's meeting were: Geo. B. Roberts, president, and Frank Thompson, second vice-president, of the Pennsylvania; Chas. M. Deyen, of the New York Central; Samuel Spencer, the newly-elected president of the Baltimore & Ohio; Samuel S. Can, of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, and John K. Egan, of the Erie.

Henry S. Ives Arrested for Grand Larceny.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Henry S. Ives was arrested on a charge of grand larceny preferred by Julius Dexter, president of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton railroad. Mr. Dexter, in an affidavit, says that a draft for \$100,000, made by the company to the order of Ives, as trustee, and intended to be used as part of the payment for a controlling interest in the Terre Haute & Indianapolis road June 2, 1887, was appropriated by Ives to the uses of his firm. Ives was arraigned before Police Justice Kilbreth, pleaded not guilty, and was admitted to \$25,000 bail to appear for examination Thursday. His sister, Mary Ives, of Brooklyn, furnished the required security. Mr. Ives' counsel are indignant over the criminal charge, and say the suit ought to be brought in a civil court.

Powderly Not Seriously Ill.

SCANTON, Pa., Dec. 14.—Master Workman Powderly's condition is not critical. He is suffering with a severe cold which he contracted on his visit to East a week ago. The story about his being stricken with a hemorrhage is untrue. Mr. Powderly's physician says his lungs are all right and that he will be able to renew his duties in a few days.

The Dakota Division Question.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 14.—The Pioneer Press has from Eismarck the official statement of the vote of Dakota on division. In North Dakota the majority against division is exactly 10,000; in South Dakota the majority for division is 13,000.

Holiday Excursions.

In accordance with usual custom, the Peoria Decatur & Evansville Railway will sell excursion tickets between all stations on its line, on account of the mid-winter holidays, at one fare for the round trip. Tickets will be sold December 21, 25 and 31, and January 2, good to return until January 31. E. O. HOPKINS, General Passenger Agent. dec1-d1m

1500 New Cloaks and Wraps.
For ladies and children, in elegant styles and decidedly cheap, at
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WHITE VESTS for barkeepers at B. Stein's. dtf

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Coal Dealers.

I am prepared to ship Soft Coal on short notice from Decatur in box or flat cars. Correspondence solicited.

E. L. MARTIN, Coal Dealer
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THE HERMAN white shirts are the best, and only one dollar. LINS & SCRUGGS. law

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14.

2 TWO PERFORMANCES 2

Afternoon, 4 p. m. Evening, 8 p. m.

Count and Countess Magri,

—FORMERLY—

Mrs. GEN. TOM. THUMB

Supported by her own company, including ALEX. DAVIS, the prince of magicians and ventriloquists.

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PROF. BECKER, the celebrated pianist, and the eminent lecturer, SYLVESTER ELDER JR.

ADMISSION—25 cents; reserved seats, 35 cents; children under 10 years, 10 cts.

25c. accommodations in the colonnade, a. m. s. Thumb lay out on a table before the audience until 4 p. m. Tickets open at 4 p. m.

Opera House

EXTRA! EXTRA! EXTRA!

THURSDAY EVENING, DEC. 16.

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FANNY DAVENPORT!

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As played by her over 1,000 times—300 nights in New York. A Superb and Company of Excellence, including

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See a beautiful Steel Engraving of Fanny Davenport with autograph affixed will be given to the ladies.

PRICES—\$1.00, 75 cents and 50 cents.

No extra charge for reserved seats. The sale of seats will begin at Prescott's Music Store Tuesday morning, Dec. 14th.

Opera House

ONE NIGHT ONLY,

SATURDAY, DEC. 17.

Third Annual Tour of the young Emotional American Actress,

CORA TANNER!

—IN—

ALONE IN LONDON

Or, A Woman Against the World.

ROBERT BICHANA'S Great Realistic and Emotional Drama of English Life. Presented by COL. WM. E. SINN'S FAIR THEATRE CO. (from Brooklyn, N. Y.)

New, Realistic and Effective Scenes! Startling Mechanical Effects!

See the grand Scenes: "Westminster Bridge and Houses of Parliament, by Night," and "Old St. Paul's Church, a view of the River Thames," "Opening of the Flood Gates and the Risk of the Water."

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POPULAR PRICES—25, 50 and 75 Cts.

Seats on sale at Prescott's three days in advance.

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of William H. Churchman, Deceased.

The undersigned, having been appointed Administrator of the estate of William H. Churchman, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the February term, on the first Monday in February next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 15th day of December, 1887.

M. FINESTEIN, Administrator.

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We show the Best Line of
PLUSH & SEAL PLUSH WRAPS,
Jackets and Sacques,

We have ever owned, and the Handsomest Line of
ASTRACHAN WRAPS, CLOTH JACKETS AND NEWMARKETS
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DON'T FAIL TO SEE THEM.

GREAT REDUCTION IN DRESS GOODS.

A line of high Novelties and Combination Suits,

Reduced to-day to prices that will

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See our New Stripe Velvet at 75c, and our Children's

Cloaks just received, at \$2.50 to \$4.00.

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Bargains in Every Department!

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Christmas is suggestive of

DIAMONDS, WATCHES,

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And the Innumerable NICE THINGS sold

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And Be Impressed by My COMMANDMENTS.

- I.**

Thou shalt have no other place to buy clothing, hats, caps and furnishing goods, except **CHEAP CHARLEY'S**.
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Thou shalt not choose unto thyself any other Merchant; thou shalt not bow down to them nor listen to their speeches, for Cheap Charley's Clothing House is a reliable place to trade, capable to serve customers to the third and fourth generations.
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Thou shalt not seek in vain for stylish clothing, furnishing goods, etc., at the very lowest prices, for they can be found in large quantities at Cheap Charley's.
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Thou shalt honor Cheap Charley's One Price Clothing House. May you for many years be dressed in suits thereof.
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Thou shalt not commit an outrage on propriety by purchasing thy clothing, (hats, caps, etc.) elsewhere, but go direct to Cheap Charley's, where thou wilt get what thou wantest at Low Prices.
- VII.**

Thou shalt not seek adroitly strange styles, but go direct to Cheap Charley's, Corner of Old Square.
- VIII.**

Thou shalt not steal an Overcoat, for Cheap Charley sells them so cheap it would be a sin.
- IX.**

Thou shalt not bear false witness, but openly acknowledge that thou canst be better suited at Cheap Charley's for less money than any other Clothing House in the city.
- X.**

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's goods, nor his bargains, but take counsel of this and proceed straightway to Cheap Charley's, Corner of Old Square.

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One of the most handy articles for a home is our new **SECRETARY BOOK CASE**. We show a full line of them in all the fashionable finishes. Also, New and elegant **POLISHED CENTER TABLES**, in Stylish Patterns. These Goods are the finest made, and we guarantee Prices the Lowest. We invite you to call and see for yourself.

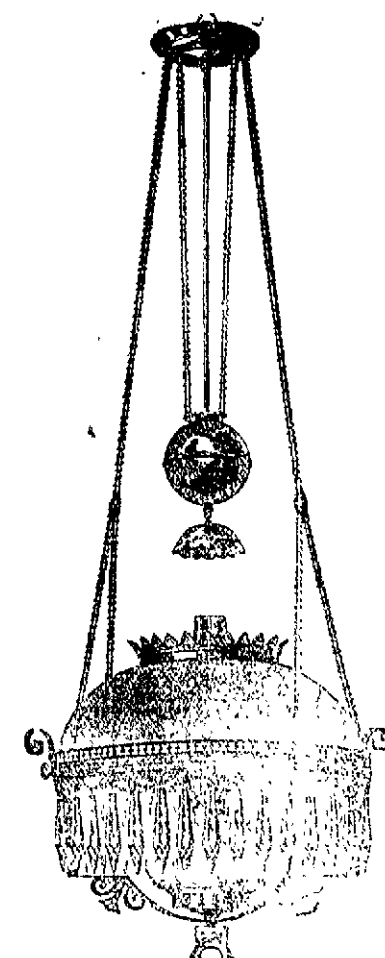
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The Old Reliable Lamp Store man, has an **ELABORATE DISPLAY** embracing the choicest and latest designs of

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GOLD, BRONZE AND NICKEL.

In Wonderful Variety, which must be seen to be appreciated.

In the profusion of Designs every taste can be met, and the grade of prices suits every purse.

The **Extremely LOW PRICES** quoted by this establishment enables one of moderate means to secure an **ELEGANT LAMP** at a limited expense.

Our Inducements Deserve your Patronage.

WINGATE'S LAMP STORE,
Merchant Street, Central Block.

HOPKINS NEXT.

The Assistant Cashier of the Defunct Fidelity Bank on Trial.

The Complexion of the First Day's Proceedings Unfavorable to the Defendant.

A Plea of "Not Guilty" Entered—An Attempt to Make a Scapegoat of Harper.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 14.—Ben Hopkins, assistant cashier of the defunct Fidelity Bank, accompanied by his son, Charles, and his two daughters, Mrs. O'Keefe and Mrs. Nelson, appeared in the United States Court at ten o'clock yesterday morning. Hopkins looked pale, but this is attributed to his long confinement in jail. The court having been opened, Judge Jackson said:

"In the case of the United States vs. Hopkins, defendant was presented yesterday as to a number of counts. This defendant was not sustained except on four counts."

When the defendant was asked whether he was guilty as charged in the indictment, he entered a plea of not guilty.

Upon the opening of court in the afternoon, Hopkins' counsel made a motion to compel the Government to furnish a bill of particulars setting forth the specific transactions complained of in the first count of the indictment. This count embraces a general charge of embezzlement of \$30,000 between the 22d of February and 14th of June, 1887. Judge Sage took the motion under advisement and will pass upon it this morning. The jury was then sworn and Assistant Prosecutor Bruce presented the case for the Government. He expected to show that Hopkins had misappropriated \$30,000 of the funds of the Fidelity Bank; that he had drawn checks upon the bank when he had no money in it to meet them; that he had caused false entries to be made upon the books of the bank, and that he had abstracted \$1,000,000 of the bank's funds.

Warner M. Bateman, in presenting the defense, said that Hopkins might rest content with repeating to the jury his plea of not guilty. "But," said Mr. Bateman, "Mr. Hopkins desires me to say that we shall earnestly controvert the claims of the Government." The drift of the defense, as gathered from Mr. Bateman's statement, is that Mr. Harper's wealth was reputed to be great; his interest in the bank was wonderful; that he was trusted; that the other officers thought that by reason of his large interests Harper had a right to rule the bank and did rule it. He was the master, the others merely the servants.

Frank A. Armstrong, superintendent of city delivery in the post-office, formerly a broker, was the Government's first witness. He testified to buying 500,000 bushels of wheat in Chicago for Hopkins, receiving therefor a check for \$10,000 on the Fidelity Bank.

William F. Baker, a Chicago broker, took the stand and corroborated Armstrong in regard to the transaction.

The court at 4:30 p. m. adjourned until ten o'clock this morning.

Assigned for the Benefit of Their Creditors.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—Searl, Vannell & Co., jobbers of notions and white goods at Nos. 723 and 725 Market street, made an assignment for the benefit of their creditors yesterday to John Gummer, book-keeper and financier of the firm. Preferred creditors to the amount of nearly \$47,000 are named in the assignment and judgments were entered by them against the embarrassed firm. The preferences are for borrowed money, but other holders of the firm's paper are unsecured, and must come in under the assignment. The liabilities are about \$200,000, but the assets are not yet known. The principal creditors are Philadelphia, New York and Boston houses. Until recently the firm did a large and profitable business. A short time ago it was found necessary to put out considerable paper among the various banks and private lenders. When the paper began to mature they found they could not take it up, and an assignment was therefore made.

Terrific Explosion.

WILKESBARRE, Pa. Dec. 14.—A terrific explosion occurred at the powder works of Dupont & Co., at Laffin, yesterday afternoon. The glazing and canning mills were blown to atoms. Some timber and machinery was thrown three hundred yards by the force of the explosion. A spark generated by friction caused the explosion. A workman saw the flash and pulled the danger bell, when all the employees fled except Louis Zarch. He could not get out of the glazing mill in time, and was fatally burned. Loss, \$12,000.

Murdered for His Money.

MILWAUKEE, Wis. Dec. 14.—Herman Hochkosh, a Finlander, was murdered at the Yeak Hotel early yesterday morning. He was a railway laborer, and arrived here Monday, having about \$100. Robbery is supposed to have been the motive of the crime.

The best on earth can truly be said of Griggs' Glycerine Salve, which is a sure, safe and speedy cure for cuts, bruises, scalds, burns, wounds and all other sores. Will positively cure piles, tetter and all skin eruptions. Try this wonder healer. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Only 25 cents. Sold by Dr. A. J. Stoner.

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GOLD-HEADED Silk Umbrellas, the finest in the market, at B. Stine's.

Why a Man Should Earn More Than he Pay He Actually Receives.

Every thinker knows that the man who would succeed must do more work than he gets paid for, in every profession and trade. We take it for granted that the man who will do only \$20 worth of work a week because his salary is but \$20, will never get more than \$20 a week, for the simple reason that he has never shown his employer that he is worth more. We figure it that an employe who means to succeed has to do from 10 to 20 per cent. more work than he gets actually paid for. This he has to do until he reaches a certain point, and having reached that point he will find that by as much as his income has increased by so much has the demand for amount and intensity of his labor diminished. To put this theory into figures, we will say that a man receiving \$20 a week should do \$30 worth of work; a man receiving \$30 should do \$40 worth of work, and so on until, say the salary reaches \$75, and then the laborer can give himself somewhat of a rest—that is to say, about \$50 worth of work will satisfy his employer. Labor brings its market value, and is seldom overpaid, and often underpaid. It is the experience—the "know how," that brings the money.—Philadelphia Ledger.

INSTRUCTIVE FIGURES.

Statistics Furnished by the Editor of a Successful Weekly Paper.

Average number of MSS. received per day.	125
Average number of MSS. declined per day.	130
Number of enemics made per day.	130
Number of reproachful and abusive letters received per month from would-be contributors, whose work I have refused.	2,000
Number who cheerfully accept my judgment.	60
Number of contributors who have sought to work upon my sympathies, and by the recital of pathetic tales of poverty and distress induce me to accept their MSS.	4,551
Number who have succeeded.	3
Number of times I have been sorry I yielded.	3
Number of my relatives living.	83
Number of those who think themselves competent to write for my paper.	83
Number who have tried to do it.	83
Number who have failed.	82
Number of suggestions as to the proper manner of "running" my paper received per week from friends.	55
Number of these suggestions utilized.	00
Number of my contributors who are thoroughly satisfied with my treatment of them.	00
Number of persons among my acquaintances who do not think they could conduct the paper better than I do.	00
Number of times I have wished that I were dead.	5,750

—TET-BIS.

—A box car, complete, was built in four hours at Anniston, Ala.

DeHAVEN, the decorator, is now prepared to furnish the fall styles of Wall Paper, in all grades, at prices lower than ever. Address or call at 535 West Eldorado street. sept14d&w

REPAIRING and repainting, general line of vehicle work at the Bluegrass Shop. sept16-dtf

A SHIP with a fine line of Christmas presents can be seen at Cheap Charley's. d&wt

FOR RENT, FOR SALE, WANTED, &c.

[Notices in this column, of five lines or less, will be inserted one week, for 25 cents, payable in advance.]

FOR RENT—A nice suite of rooms, on the first floor—fourth house north of the English Lutheran church, 345 North Main street; also one room up stairs. nov12-d6

PERSONS desirous of joining the Woman's Club Gynastic Class will learn particulars and terms by applying to MRS. GEO. D. HAWORTH. nov10-d6

FOR RENT—A 5-room house, with all modern conveniences, at No. 1160 North Water St. Enquire at 233 South Sled Park. 9-d6

FOR RENT—A house of 8 rooms on West Prairie street. Call at Gorm, Dawson & Co's Bank. 9-d6

STRAID, from the Powers farm, a bay colt, three years old. Information as to his whereabouts will be rewarded. nov19-dtf GEO. W. POWERS.

MATRESSES.—Mattresses and feathers renovated by the latest improved machinery at the Mattress Factory, 553 N. Broadway. Also mattresses exchanged for feathers. Give us a call or telephone 153. nov19-dtf COX & CHAMBERLAIN.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—One-half interest in Grocery Store. Clean goods. Good trade. Apply to "P." this office. 110

FOR RENT—The basement, store-room and second floor of my building, west side Lincoln square, containing water, gas, closets and all modern conveniences. Apply to me at 180 West North street. C. A. CARTER. oct17-dtf

OFFICE FOR RENT—Over B. Stine's clothing store. Rent reasonable. Call at oct19-dtf B. STINE'S.

WANTED—Everybody to know that Bachman Bros. 248, East Main Street, have on hand a lot of second-hand SINGER SEWING MACHINES, which will be sold at HALF PRICE. july1-dtf

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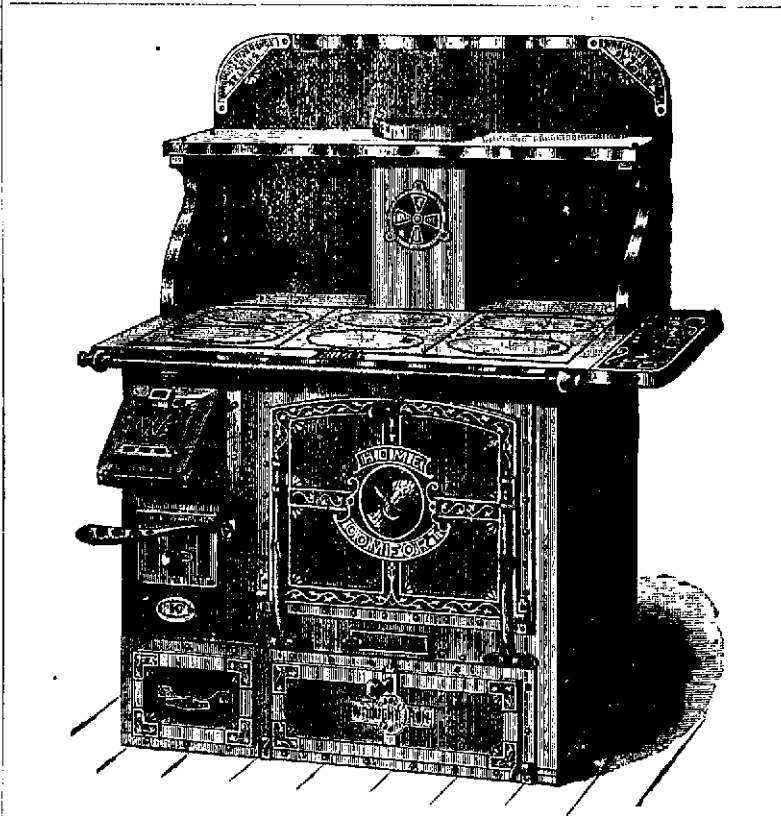
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Household Goods of Every Description, including Soft and Hard Coal Base Burners, Jewett celebrated Royal Oak Heaters, and Glad Tidings, Crowning Glory and other Cook Stoves.

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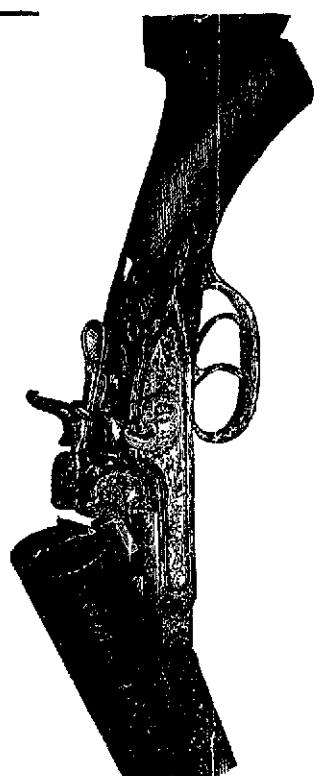
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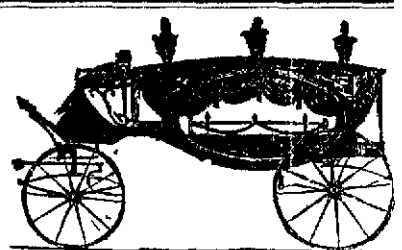
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Nov 26 d1m

Commencing November 1st, 1887, the L. O. B. R. will sell 2,000 mile tickets at \$40.00. These tickets will be limited to one year from date of issue. Unused portions will be redeemed after deducting 2 cents per mile for the portion used.

T. N. LEAVITT, of Muro, has been appointed agent for the Pierce Well Auger for Macon and adjoining counties. The Pierce Auger was the one used at Decatur and Macon.

Newmarkets,

Plain, Stripes and Plaid, for ladies and misses, beautiful styles.
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PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL

—One of the brightest looking little school-boys in Washington is a son of a secretary of the Chinese legation. The young mandarin wears a magnificent costume, Oriental in character, and with his school-books under his arm forms a striking and interesting picture. He has understood English only a year, but is making rapid progress in his education.

—On the farm of Harrison Loring in Duxbury, Mass., there was recently found a curious medal. It is apparently of pewter, about an eighth of an inch greater in diameter than a silver dollar, and around the rim in Roman letters a quarter of an inch high is the inscription "Gloria in Excelsis 1633." A circle encloses a draped, winged figure, whose right hand holds a sword, the left a torch of peace. The reverse is plain.

—Editor Twitchell, of Gorham, N. H., owns a spinning wheel with a bit of history. Eighty-five years ago Mr. Twitchell's grandfather went to Fryeburg, Me., on horseback to try to find a wife, and he left him a second house on which to bring her home should he be so fortunate as to find a bride. Mr. Twitchell's grandmother rode back on the horse, with the spinning wheel tied on the back of her behind her.

—A man well known in St. Louis has, the doctors say, a hit forced to the right side and greatly displaced, and the liver to the left. The lungs are compressed and the stomach badly crowded, but the ribs and sternum being firmly set, the position is permanent. He has been so since boyhood, and, with the exception of his irregular form, is a perfectly healthy man. Consumption of pneumonia would be sure death, they say.

—A Maine sailor played a mean trick on a shark one day not long ago. The tiger of the sea had been following the boat for several days and existing on the garbage thrown overboard, and the sailor decided to have some fun with him. He took a large piece of lime and threw it at the fish, which greedily gulped it down. The lime at once began to slake, and the shark after thrashing about in terrible agony for a few minutes, turned over and died.

—Mr. Blume's wonderful memory for names as well as faces is well known, and he declares that he cultivated the habit in early life by always indexing alphabetically all names, so that when he meets a face he recognizes the name always comes up in his mind and aids him to recall the personage. Sometimes he can not recall the name, and then he contents himself with addressing the gentleman by his title until he secures the name by some casual remark.

—Pope Leo XIII. derives his revenue from three sources. One is the interest of the vast sum left by Pius IX. in the Pontifical treasury invested chiefly in English consols. This interest amounts to about \$625,000 a year. Another source is the Peter's pence contribution, which, in spite of the very great reduction in late years averages about \$415,000 annually. The third source is the Apostolic Chancery, the receipts of which include sums received for titles and decorations, privileges of the altar, private chapels, etc., and aggregate about \$520,000 a year. The entire annual income of Leo XIII., therefore, is about \$1,560,000.

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—"Oh, John!" said a beautiful girl to her lover, as he met her in the garden.—"Oh, John, a bee has stung me!" to which the gallant lover responded, "No wonder that it took you for a flower!" —N. Y. Ledger.

—"I don't know what to do with the hired girl," said a young wife. "She's absolutely useless, and yet I hate to discharge her." "Why don't you teach her to light the fire with kerosene?" inquired her husband. —Washington Critic.

—He Couldn't See the Necessity of It.—"Pa, will you please pass de spoon?" "Wha' yo' want? all de spoons fo' wid nubb'n' but coffee?" "Pears like yo' gittin' mighty out o' notions since yo' gone t' work fo' dem Pollenbecks!" —Harper's Bazar.

—Physician—Patrick, don't you know better than to have your pigpen so close to the house? "An' phy shud or not so?" "It's no earthly thing." "Be away wid yer nonsense, shure the pig was mired s'ke a day in his life!" —Omaha World.

—Would you be kind enough to take this away and bring me some brimstone butter?" asked a traveling man of the waiter in a country hotel. "Some when?" "Som' brimstone butter, this is anburn' and I th'ys did dislike red hant!" —M. Rich and Traveler.

—Lady—"Have you references?" "Whom can you refer to as to character, etc?" "Applicant—To yourself, m'um, wid confidence. Lad—Me? Why, I know nothing 'bout you." Applicant—"That is the very reason I refer to you, m'um!" —Harper's Bazar.

—Very few women break their necks by turning their heads on the street to see what other women have on, but a man has been known to bump his head against a lamp post and step in the gutter trying to catch a smile from a face that turns away from him. —N. O. Picayune.

—"There's something that I think will suit you," said the real estate agent to the theatrical manager, who was looking for a residence. "It's a corner lot, with a nice, roomy, light house." "Well, I don't want it." "Why?" "I see enough of light houses in my regular business." —Washington Critic.

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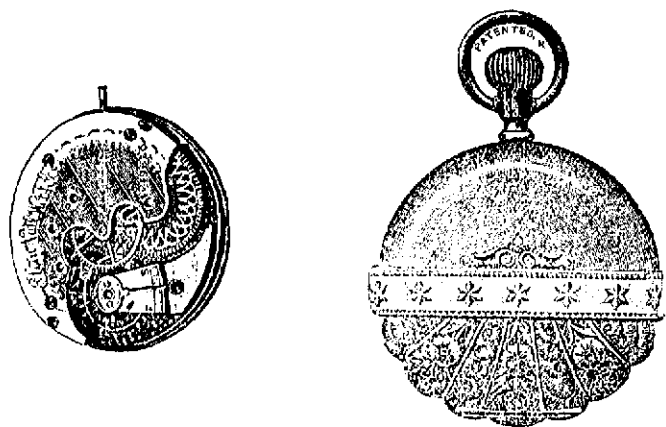
Master in Chancery's Sale STATE OF ILLINOIS, IN MACON COUNTY.

In Chancery Court of Macon County. In Chancery Term A. D. 1887.
JAMES M. BUCKLEY, Plaintiff vs. J. A. BROWN, Defendant.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree entered at the September Term A. D. 1887, by the said Court in the above entitled cause, J. A. BROWN, Master in Chancery of said Macon County, Illinois, will at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon on Monday, the 26th day of December, A. D. 1887,

at the west outside door of the Court House in the City of Decatur in said Macon County, sell at public vendue to the highest bidder the following described real estate, lying and being in the County of Macon, State of Illinois, to wit: The southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 3, township 33 N., range 10 E., 1st Meridian, containing 40 acres, more or less, and the north half of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 4, township 33 N., range 10 E., 1st Meridian, containing 40 acres, more or less, and the north half of the southeast quarter of section 5, township 33 N., range 10 E., 1st Meridian, containing 40 acres, more or less, and the north half of the southeast quarter of section 6, township 33 N., range 10 E., 1st Meridian, containing 40 acres, more or less, and the north half of the southeast quarter of section 7, township 33 N., range 10 E., 1st Meridian, containing 40 acres, more or less, and the north half of the southeast quarter of section 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It is not widely known that this banner, celebrated in Longfellow's lines, is still carefully preserved as a cherished relic of the American revolution. Count Pulaski was appointed a Brigadier in the army in 1777, after the battle of Brandywine. He obtained special permission to raise and command an independent corps to consist of sixty-eight horse and two hundred foot. There are several traditions respecting this banner. One says that Pulaski visited Lafayette, distinguished in French and American history, while wounded, and received the care and hospitality of the Moravian sisters at Bethlehem, in Pennsylvania. When it became known to them that he was organizing a corps of cavalry, they prepared a banner of crimson silk, with designs beautifully worked with needles by their own hands, and sent it to Pulaski with their blessing. Pulaski received it gratefully, and bore it gallantly until his death in battle at Savannah in 1779. His banner was saved by his senior Lieutenant, who received fourteen wounds. It was carried in the procession which welcomed Lafayette to Baltimore in 1824. In 1844 it was presented to the Maryland Historical Society, by whom it is now carefully preserved. But little of its beauty remains. It is composed of double silk, now faded to a dull brownish red. The designs on each side are worked with yellow silk, the letters shaded with green, and deep bullion fringe ornaments the edge. The size is twenty inches square, one fact among many that would lead us to think Longfellow could not have known all the facts when he composed his popular poem. On one side are the letters U. S., and in a circle round them "Unitas Virtus Fortior" (Union makes stronger); on the other, in the center, is the all-seeing eye, within a circle of thirteen stars, and outside the stars are the words "Non Alius Regit" (No Other Governs).—*Cassell's Family Magazine.*

Why Bobby Refused.

Minister—And so the little boys asked you to play marbles on Sunday, Bobby, and you refused.

Bobby—Yes, sir.

Minister—Now, tell me why it was, Bobby, that you refused.

Bobby—'Cause they wouldn't play for keeps.—*N. Y. Sun.*

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A FOREST fire on one of the mountains near Salt Lake City surrounded and burned to death a flock of 700 sheep.

Renews Her Youth.

Mrs. Phoebe Chesley, Peterson, Clay co., Iowa, tells the following remarkable story, the truth of which is vouched for by the residents of the town: "I am 73 years old, have been troubled with kidney complaint and lameness for many years; could not dress myself without help. Now I am relieved from all pain and soreness, and am enabled to do all my own housework. I owe my thanks to Electric Bitters for having renewed my youth, and removed completely all disease and pain." Try a bottle, only 50c, at John A. Swearingen's Drug Store. v4

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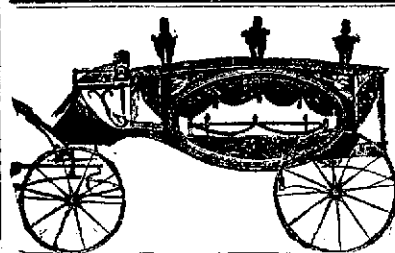
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LOCAL NEWS.

CHARLES DICKENS December 19.

Read Cheap Charley's adv't. d&wt
Mrs. Tom Thumb at the opera house to-night.

The place to get the best family groceries and California fruits is at Hanks & Patterson's store, 143 South Water street. Attend the revival at Stapp's Chapel every night.

Give Shellabarger & Co.'s White Loaf and Daily Bread flour a trial.

It is said that more barbers turn actors than people of any other trade.

Select one of those excellent Round Oak or Monitor stoves at Lytle & Eckels' hardware store.

Before the week is out the natural gas well will be nearly 1500 feet deep.

Call on Dustman & Meyer in Haworth block for elegant easy chairs and parlor suits.

CHAMPAIGN's electric light engine is 125 horse power. There is some style and sense about that.

Read Knode & Osborne's "Wake-Up" card in another column. They mean what they say.

JAMES HOLLINGER is in possession of the barber shop near the north end of Central block.

TELEPHONE all orders to Niedermeyer for California fruits and groceries.

The county board will have its busy day to-morrow.

ORDER White Foam family flour. Your grocer sells it.

THE usual prayer meetings this evening at the churches.

"SKIPPED by the Light of the Moon" may not equal "Hamlet" as a literary production, but it's a great deal funnier.

It looks now as if the people will have a chance to vote for or against putting up a court house.

POWERS & HAWORTH have taken a new room for their wholesale Boot and Shoe business in addition to their large retail, which remains in the same stand.

EVERYTHING in the way of Holiday Stock now in readiness at the City Book Store. Don't delay if you wish to avoid the crowd. J. H. Bevans. d14d6w1

You should buy one of those stylish cutters at D. F. Hamsher's shop on Wood street. Don't forget him. He carries a full line of Iron Felloe and Mitchell wagons, road carts, carriages and buggies, all at rock bottom prices.

A CHILD can buy at Cheap Charley's as well as any man. d&wt

THE Republicans of Douglas county have called a convention to be held in Tuscola December 19 to nominate a candidate for state's attorney, to succeed the late Major Wright. The county is very close, both political parties having a portion of the county offices. The special election is set for December 29.

CHEAP CHARLEY can and will save you money on anything you buy of him. d&wt

THE ladies of the Macedonia Baptist church on South Broadway, are preparing to give a social next Thursday evening, Dec. 15, for the benefit of the church. d&wt

THE force of photographers at Piper's is larger than ever so that work can be finished much nearer to Christmas than heretofore. Come while the weather is bad so as to give a chance to finish when the sun shines. d&wt

CHARLES DICKENS will read David Copperfield and Bob Sawyer's party at the opera house December 19. Prices—50c, 75c and \$1.00. Reserved seats at Prescott's music house December 19. 12-14

FURNITURE cheaper than ever. Bedroom Sets, Parlor Sets, and everything in the Furniture line, which I will close out and quit the furniture business. Come and see me if you need anything. I know I can sell it to you. Don't miss the place—250 East Main street; sign, big red chair. FRED BUTZLÉN. dec2-dlm

TUNE up the system and improve the appetite by taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It will make you feel like a new person. Thousands have found health, and relief from suffering, by the use of this great blood purifier, when all other means failed.

MUSIC! MUSIC!
I have a fine collection of Christmas music and small musical instruments of all styles and prices, and the best pianos and organs sold in Decatur. Don't buy till you examine my stock. S. M. LUTZ. n26-dw3w

Five Jersey Coats at A. F. Ross', 117 N. W. 1st St. dec1-dlm

A Mistake.
B. O. McReynolds is in receipt of a letter from Rev. T. W. Pinkerton, who was called to Ghent, Ky., on a telegram which stated that his brother was dead. Rev. Pinkerton writes that the telegram made a mistake. It was his aged father who died instead of his only brother. The old gentleman devoted his life to the work in the Christian ministry. Rev. Pinkerton gives no particulars of the death in his letter, but adds that he arrived in time to be present at the funeral. He will probably return home next week.

Decatur Talent.
The Jewish people celebrated the Chanuka festival in the Independent church at Bloomington on Monday, when Decatur talent contributed to the success of the occasion. The leader says: "Following this, music and recitations were well executed. Mr. Leo Heilbrun, of Decatur, formerly of Bloomington, played a violin solo accompanied by Miss Heilbrun. The gentleman is an artist, as very few can exceed the touching strains he calls forth from that instrument."

The Coal Mines.
Bert Stewart has handed us a copy of the 1887 statistics of coal in Illinois, being a supplemental report of the State Bureau of Labor Statistics. It gives the depth of the Decatur mine No. 1 at 612 feet; No. 2 shaft, 610 feet; City Coal Co.'s shaft at Niantic, 370 feet. Total number of tons produced, 118,183; average cost of mining, 66c per ton; average value per ton at mine, \$1.274.

They are in Town.
Count and Countess Magri (Mrs. Tom Thumb), Sylvester Bleeker, Col. T. Allison Brown and wife, Baron Ernest Magri, Alexander Davis and Frank Becker, of the Mrs. Tom Thumb company, arrived at the St. Nicholas to-day. They give a matinee this afternoon, and a farewell performance to-night at the opera house.

D. H. HEILMAN's wedding present to his son, Will, was a check for \$200; that of the groom to the bride, a set of diamonds; that of Mrs. M. A. Jones, mother of the bride, an elegant bedroom set.

THE story going around last night that Cliff Elwood had been lucky enough to draw \$30,000 in the Louisiana lottery caused considerable congratulatory talk, but it was simply a "kid yarn." No truth in it. Cliff is sorry.

D. F. HUBERT will have a public sale of horses, cows, steers, calves, a ShortHorn bull, hogs, and farming utensils at his farm two miles north of Boody on Tuesday, December 27.

Ottomans and Blacking Cases.
Bachman Bros. have just received a fine line of Ottomans and Blacking Cases, which they offer at 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and upwards. d14d10t

THE Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist church have concluded to repeat the charming "Aesthetic Concert," with change of music, at the opera house on the evening of Dec. 29. Prof. Nilsson's Juvenile Orchestra will participate in the entertainment. The Japanese Wedding will be omitted.

Don't fail to see "Fedora" to-morrow night. The advance sale of seats has been large. Country towns will be represented.

Open Evenings Until After the Holidays.

In order to make it interesting for our customers and to increase trade, we will have special cheap sales every evening until further notice. Special low prices on Silk Handkerchiefs, Linen Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Ties, Silk and Wool Mittens, Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings of this week. We will not quote prices, but will make a reduction of fully 25 per cent. on all goods sold for spot cash. Come and see if we don't more than fill the bill.

S. G. HATCH & BRO.,
143 East Main street, Powers' Block. d14d4t

A FULL assortment of hard and soft coal at bottom prices on sale at W. H. Shorb's office on North Main street.

THE members' reception and social at the Y. M. C. A. rooms last evening was a success in every respect. It was the first social this winter and was well attended. The ladies served light refreshments and a programme was observed. Many visited the gymnasium during the evening.

You should read J. E. Saxton's special announcement in another column, and then see his holiday display at the P. O. Book Store.

We Don't and Won't
handle the 8 and 10 karat Watches that are being sold for \$23 and \$25 because they will not give satisfaction to the customer, but will give you a better quality of goods for the same money, and something that we know will give you satisfaction. J. L. PEARE & SON. d14d6

We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to attend the first annual ball of the United Bank of the Knights of Pythias at Maroa on the evening of Dec. 22. The opera house orchestra will furnish the music.

Children's Cloaks,
A large assortment, in handsome styles and cheap, at LINN & SCRUGGS. daw

TIM Queen has made the youngest son of Lord Idlesleigh a baronet, which will make him Sir Stafford Northcote, like his father.

MRS. ETHEL SPRAGUE hopes to begin her dramatic career at the Boston Museum.

See the "Home Comfort" Ranges at Merchants, Wells & Co's. daw

They Killed Four Deer.
Robert Hill, Jerry Turpin, John May, George Ehrhart, P. W. Blankenship, O. H. Jennings and Logan Jacobs, comprising the Decatur hunting party at Peach Orchard, Arkansas, got home last night after an absence of 25 days. Jerry Turpin killed two deer, May 1 and Jennings 1, making a total of 4 for the party. Mr. May killed a wolf and two turkeys were brought down. The hunters had a pleasant experience, though they had to get about in three inches of snow for a few days. Hob Hill says the party had plenty of Arkansas callers, but they always came around at meal time and helped to clean the platter.

The County Board.
It was ordered that a copy of the Illinois Revised Statutes be purchased for the use of the circuit court room. It was recommended that the county board unite with the Decatur ladies' charitable organization for the relief of the worthy poor of the city and county. The resolution directed that the overseer of the poor co-operate with the society in the distribution of charity. Chairman Woodcock appointed Supervisor A. T. Hill to represent the board at the meeting of the proposed organization.

The report of the committee that the old circuit clerk's office be held for a better figure than the offer of \$100 a month was adopted.

The committee reported the Decatur and Niantic coal mines in good condition, all machinery in perfect order, bracing good, and no appreciable difference between the air in the mines and that above the surface. Adopted.

A number of claims were referred to various committees, when the board adjourned until this afternoon.

ALGERNON GRANVILLE, court reporter for Macon, Platt and Monticello counties, is at Columbus, Ohio, where he is called to answer for alleged complicity in the election frauds in that city in 1885. He denies that he is criminally guilty of any wrong in connection with the fraud that gave the democrats the control of the legislature.

Smyser Don't Scare.

The "blood note" received by States Attorney Smyser at Sullivan recently, is something of a novelty in this law and order section. It was an attempt to drive the attorney away from Moultrie county, but it failed of its purpose, as Mr. S. will remain and prosecute W. P. Corbin for the murder of C. F. Harris. Referring to the letter the Sullivan Progress says:

"Some one, who is perhaps unable to find very much to do, sent State Attorney Smyser a threatening letter a few days since. The writer seems to be dissatisfied with Mr. Smyser's work in the Corbin case. Of course it is not known whether the letter-writer is a friend of the accused who is foolish enough to think such messages will be of service to him or whether he is an enemy who seeks to intensify public opinion against him by making it appear that he is trying to intimidate the officers. In either case the officious individual will be disappointed; as Mr. Smyser is not a man to be intimidated, and the people will look with suspicion, if indeed they pay any attention to this unknown letter-writer. When the time comes the issue will be made upon the law and the evidence, and the case will be tried as fairly and impartially as though the letter had never been written."

What Actors Did Once.

Frank McNich was a plumber. Anna Dickinson taught school. John T. Raymond was a clerk. Sarah Bernhart was a dressmaker. Edwin Forrest was a cabinet maker. Adelaide Neilson was a ship's nurse. Edward Harrigan was a ship calker. Harry Miner was a New York druggist. P. T. Barnum was a country store-keeper.

Augustin Daly was a newspaper reporter.

Lawrence Barrett was once a waiter in a restaurant. He also served in the army. Lotta used to dance and sing for the "boys" in the Sierra mining camps.

Knocked Down

And almost senseless at the Low Prices that Penke & Son have placed on their Watches, Clocks and Jewelry. They will sell you anything in their line cheaper than any jewelry house in Decatur. Call and see J. L. PEARE & SON. 14-16

Among the pictures contributed to the Memorial Hall at Springfield, by Secretary E. T. Lee, of the 41st Illinois volunteers, was a photograph of the 100 survivors of the 41st Illinois, who were at the Decatur reunion. Among the number are Sergeant A. D. McHenry, of Clinton, Ill., who first set foot on the shore at Pittsburg landing in 1862.

ELEGANTLY mounted Mace Photographs copies of Guido's Mater Dolorosa, Murillo's Magdalen and other celebrated paintings at the City Book Store. J. H. BEVANS. d14d6w1

Friends Creek Nursery.

S. Boneham, proprietor, will have Christmas trees and stock the coming spring at the old stand, east side New Square, adjoining stone yard. Leave orders with John Pasold. dec14-d&2w

The Christmas Bazar.

Special attention is called to the fair, festival and Christmas Bazar, to be given Friday, December 16, at the tabernacle by the Ladies' New Church Aid Society of the Presbyterian church. The fancy articles, all especially designed for Christmas, will be on sale on Friday afternoon and evening. A public dinner will be served beginning at 11:30 a. m. and supper at 5 o'clock. Sociable and festival at night. 12-15

JOHN G. WHITTIER will celebrate his eightieth birthday on the 17th of next month. Somebody ought to write a poem on this event.

Receiver McNulta Supported.
Judge Graham will not interfere with Receiver McNulta's management of the Wabash road. The committee crowded McNulta yesterday at Chicago, and the General proposed to leave the matter of the new tariff rate to Gresham. It was accepted. The Judge, after having patiently listened to the arguments on both sides, decided that he was not running the Wabash railway and that the receiver was. As far as he could learn the receiver had managed the road to the satisfaction of all concerned, and has achieved good results. Unless charges were made and proven that the management of the property was calculated to injure the interests of those he represented, he would decline to interfere, and would allow the receiver to run the property as he considered best. This ended the proceedings, and Receiver McNulta informed the committee that he would stick to his position and make the proposed reduction in rate December 20th, and that further efforts to induce him to change his position would be of no avail. The purchasing committee complain that the receiver's action will prove disastrous to the reorganization plan.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Will J. Wayne will leave for California to-morrow.

Mrs. E. L. Magill and son, of Clinton, are at the St. Nicholas.

Barley Campbell is reported to be improving under the care of his physicians at the New Jersey State Insane Asylum.

Miss May Nicholls is assisting her sister Florence as cashier at Otto E. Curtis & Bro.'s jewelry establishment.

A. F. Smith, of the State Sentinel, is slowly recovering from a severe spell of sickness.

James Bradshaw and Miss Ida May Henson, both of Harrodsburg; H. A. Shaddock and Miss Mary Steele of Macon, have been granted marriage licenses.

Mrs. J. G. Starr and son, Harry, J. R. Miller and wife are at Colton, Cal., where they are seeing the sights. Harry writes that his mother stood the trip splendidly.

Leo Heilbrun, of the Opera House Orchestra, will contribute to the success of an entertainment to be given soon at Bloomington by the Hebrew S. S. Society.

W. R. Scruggs and D. H. Heilman are the delegates from the Presbyterian church to the Woman's Club Society meeting to be held this week.

Fanny Davenport will arrive in Decatur to-morrow at noon over the T. H. & P. road from Peoria, play Fedora here at night, and leave on Friday morning at 7 o'clock for Terre Haute.

Edwin Philbrook is again at his home on West Prairie street, having come down yesterday from Maroa accompanied by his wife. He is believed to be recovering from his recent partial stroke of paralysis.

Brief Notes.

Philip Craig, of Lincoln, has had experience with a target rifle which will learn him a lesson. He was in his back yard and suddenly determined to use the door knob of the back door as a target. In pursuance of this brilliant idea he blazed away. The ball missed the knob, as a matter of course, but penetrated the door and struck Mrs. Craig in one of her limbs, inflicting a very painful wound.

Isaac Vanordstrand, Esq., of Heyworth, had a patch of ground in potatoes the past season which was crossed by two tile drains. The "Squire" says that immediately over and around each drain the potatoes grew as fine and large as could be expected in the most favorable season, while the rest of the patch was comparatively worthless. This shows the benefit of tile drainage on our soil even in a season of such remarkable drouth as the past has been.

Item from correspondent: "A very singular case was that of Miss Ida Howell, of Cerro Gordo. She has been suffering with her head being drawn around almost on her shoulders. She decided to have the cord or tension cut and let her head come straight. Accordingly Dr. W. J. Chenoweth, of Decatur, performed the operation, and when she came from under the influence of the ether she was paralyzed, something perhaps that never occurred before in a like operation. She is now improving and hopes are entertained of her recovery, as she can begin to use her limbs. Her speech has not been obstructed. It is hoped that she can be removed to her home at Cerro Gordo soon."

Don't be Deceived

Into paying large prices for Watches, Clocks and Jewelry. We can and will make any cut and even do better by you on anything in our line than any jewelry house in Decatur will give you. 14-16 PEARE & SON.

Not Points.

A number of young men in Fayette county have organized a society for the suppression of the hat-tipping craze, to be known as the "Anti-Hat Tippers." The society in question believes that the hat-tipping business, which was originally all right, has become a perfect bore, and for this reason every member of the new society who tips his deer to a lady will have to pay a fine of 25c for each offense. At the end of every month the fines collected will be divided among the members who have not broken the rules.

DRESSED turkeys and poultry for Christmas can be ordered at Lehman & Bolen's grocery store.

DAY BOARD \$3.00 per week at Combs' Court House Restaurant—the best place in the city to board. Meals at all hours. No. 139 South Water St. n25 dlt

CHARNOT M. DEWEY says that Mr. Vanderbilt isn't going to circumnavigate the world in the yacht Alva, nor is he even going to India.

Alone in London.
This powerful English drama which is to be given Saturday night, with special scenery, is fully deserving of the popular success which it has gained. It is one of the best of its class, with an interesting story well and clearly told, a number of strong dramatic situations, an abundance of lively incidents directly connected with the development of the plot, and sufficient comedy to balance and relieve the serious element. The characters are distinctly drawn and cleverly contrasted, and, furthermore, are admirably acted. Col. Sinn has organized a splendid company, whose members could carry a much inferior play to success, and it is hardly necessary to say that "Alone in London" receives full justice at their hands. Corn Tanner's impersonation of the heroine is creditable alike to her fine natural abilities and her training as an actress. She plays the part with artistic skill, and at the same time invests it with genuine feeling. In the so-called "emotional scenes," she has fully met the requirements of the role in respect to the dramatic power.

DIED.

Of paralysis, at 11 a. m. on Tuesday, December 13, 1887, at her home, 2 1/2 miles southwest of Elwin, Mrs. Dieckbrecht, aged 74 years.

At 1 o'clock p. m. on Tuesday, December 13, 1887, Henry, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, of North Railroad Avenue.

A Fiery Smashup.

The fire Sunday morning was at August & Dowling's Bakery, 533 North Morgan street. It originated between the ceiling and tin roof, but it was soon extinguished without much loss. The chemical broke down when but ten or fifteen yards from the fire. But that's not all—August & Dowling have the finest line of Bread, Pies and Cakes, everything you can ask for in a bakery. As we employ all first-class bakers, and use all first-class material for our goods, we are prepared to serve the public with the very best. Wedding and Christmas cakes a specialty. Goods delivered to all parts of the city. Wagons out all day. Give us a call. dec12-d&t

Come soon if you wish to select from the fine Artist Proof Etchings, for a limited time on sale at the City Book Store. J. H. BEVANS. d14d6w1

THE Moore Brothers in Opera block carry a full line of family groceries, and will save you a turkey for Christmas.

Notice.

Having received an anonymous letter, purporting to have been written by a woman, threatening to kill me unless I married her, I desire to hereby inform the man that wrote it that if he undertakes to injure me I will defend myself. 13-daw1* WILLIAM E. BONDY.

THE Bluegrass Shop will make you low figures on vehicle work. ap16-d&t

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—FOR FRUITS—

Bananas, Oranges, Lemons, California Peaches, Raisins, Apples, Dates, Blackberries, Prunes, Figs, Pears, Cherries, Raspberries, Gooseberries, Pine Apples, Currants.

—FOR SOUPS—

Oysters, Macaroni, Beef, Rice, Vegetables, Corn Beef, Chickens, Etc.

—VEGETABLES—

Corned Corn, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Peas, Beans, Pumpkins, Sweet Potatoes, Irish Potatoes, Cabbage, Turnips, Rutabagas, Spanish Onions.

—FISH—

Salmon, Mackerel, Sardines, A. F. H. Olive, Sardines au Moutarde, Halibut, Cod Fish.

—MEATS—

Turkeys, with Cape Cod Cranberries, Chickens, Corned Beef, Canned Beef, Pickled Pigs Feet, Breakfast Bacon, Sugar Cured Hams, Meats of all kinds.

—RELISHES—

Pickled Onions, Catsup, French Mustard, Horse Radish, Mixed Pickles, Spiced Pickles, Pepp'r Sauce, Worcestershire Sauce, Chow Chow, Cuke Sauce, Etc., Etc.

—TEAS—

English Breakfast, Oolong, Imperial, Gunpowder, Uncolored basket-fried Japan, and the Purify, our own invention.

—COFFEES—

Rio, Santos, Maracibo, Golden Rio, Peaberry, Old Government Java, African Java, Mocha, And our own Celebrated Combination, Baker's Sweet Chocolate.

—SUGARS—

Cut Loaf, Confectioners' A, Granulated, Off A, Extra, and C.

—SYRUPS—

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—FLOUR, ETC.—

The Shellabarger and H. C. L. and Mt. Olive. Buckwheat Flour, guaranteed absolutely pure.

—PUDES, PUDDINGS, ETC.—

Everything to make Pies, Cakes and all essentials for pudding; Baking, McKeever's and Gillett's Flouring Extracts.

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KNODE & OSBORNE,

—DEALERS IN—

Staple and Fancy Groceries,

121 NORTH WATER STREET.

Executive Committee of the National Prohibition Party.
CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—The Executive Committee of the National Prohibition party met in this city yesterday. Prof. S. D. Dickie, of Albion, Mich., chairman of the committee, was instructed in issuing the call for the presidential convention, which meets June 6, to ask the Prohibition voters in the several States to send one delegate for every 1,000 members of the party, in addition to the appointment fixed by the recent National convention. Prof. Dickie denies the recently-published statement that the executive committee had made a bargain with General Clinton B. Fiske, of New Jersey, for the presidential nomination.

Boston Municipal Election.

Boston, Dec. 14.—In the municipal election yesterday O'Brien (Dem.) was re-elected mayor by a vote of 28,885 against 24,886 for Hart (Rep.) and Ind. The total vote was 53,771. The labor vote cut no figure. The new Board of Aldermen stands: eight Republicans, four Democrats a Republican and two in the Common Council stands 43 Democrats, 2 Republicans, the same as last year. Brady, Democrat, for street commissioner, had about 2,000 plurality. Loss was carried, but the majority is not ascertained.

The Elks.

New York, Dec. 14.—The Grand Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks was concluded yesterday afternoon. The principal business done was the decision that future lodges shall be held in New York, and the election and installation of officers. After accepting an invitation to attend the Fifth Avenue Theater last evening, the lodge adjourned until next July.

A Policeman Fatally Injured.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—Policeman Luke Coleran was fatally injured by being thrown off Randolph street viaduct yesterday afternoon. He was aided to arrest a gang of "shell workers" on the viaduct, and had fallen Ed H. H., one of them, under arrest, when the others rushed out, rescued the prisoner and threw Coleran over the railing. The off struck on a flat-car loaded with iron.

A Former Abscond.

SPRINGFIELD, O., Dec. 13.—J. Frank La Bourne, a grocer, left the city on Saturday. He has since transpired that he has been guilty of forging a number of notes upon which he secured money. The amount known reaches about \$1,200. It is thought he has forged notes of farmers to a considerable extent. B. F. Funt, a wholesale grocer, has attached his stock.

Driven to Suicide by Grief.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 14.—Budge Burnett, a prosperous young farmer of this county, was found in the woods Monday, a mile from his home, with his throat cut and a razor in his hand. The death of his wife a few days ago unbalanced his mind, and caused him to commit suicide.

Beautiful Lawls,

In Fall and Winter weights, extremely handsome, and at low prices. d&w LINN & SCRUGGS.

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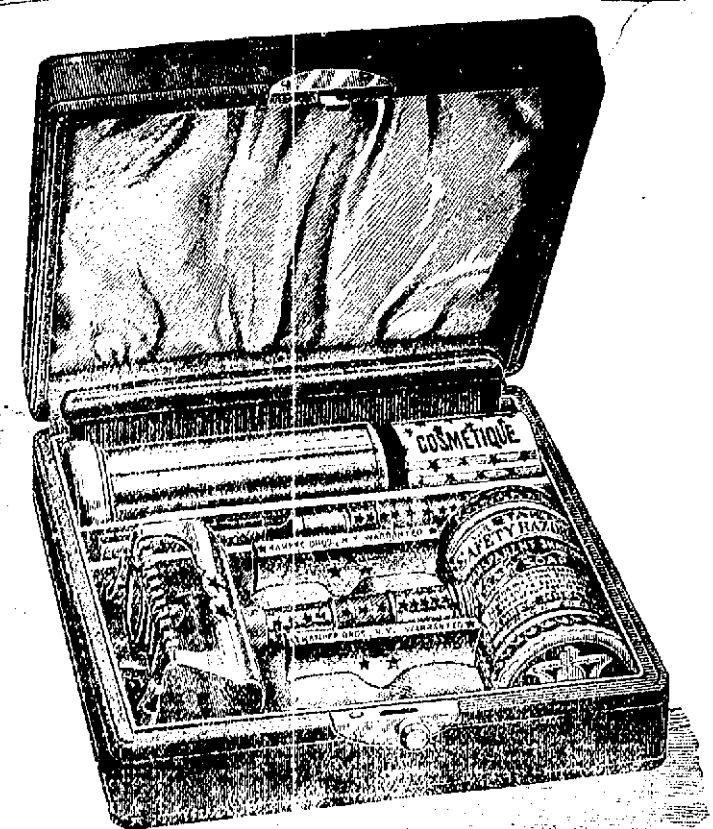
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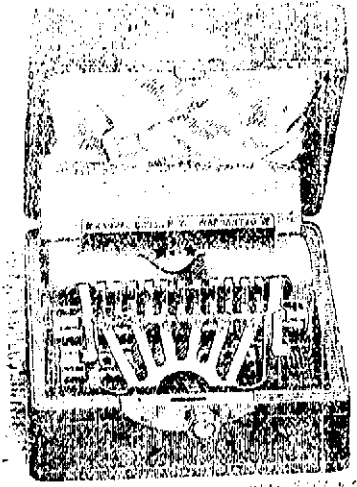
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Put up in elegant satin lined Morocco Case, and contains one SAFETY FRAME, with two perfectly adjusted blades of fine silver steel; box of finely perfumed shaving soap; holder for stropping and honing blades; shaving brush, comb and cosmetic—in fact everything required for an easy, quick and luxurious shave.



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Holidays on the Wabash.
Tickets will be sold for the Holidays by the Wabash Railway at one fare for the round trip between all stations and will be on sale Dec. 24, 25, 26, 31, and January 1st and 2d, good going only on date of sale and good to return up to and including January 3d, 1888.

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LOCAL NEWS.

For dinner and tea sets, go to **E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co.'s.**
What are you going to buy for Christmas?
OPENING of the regular half term of Musical College Monday, Dec. 19th. Pupils will be received at any time.
The Peach Orchard hunters got home last evening by way of Paris.
BEN HUNTER is wanted at Tuscola and will be taken there to-night by an officer. Hunter was put in jail here on an old execution, and now he will have to answer for threatening bodily harm to a party whom it is alleged he followed from Tuscola to Decatur.
Don't fail to read the list of The Art Books, and lists of standard authors in J. H. Beavens' standing advt. dec7-dit
A ZEVEL handed writer has just given publicity to the following: "One-third of the fools in this country think they can beat the doctors healing the sick; two-thirds of them think they can beat the minister in preaching the gospel; and all of them know they can beat the editor in running the newspaper. The proportion who think they should have the exchanges before the editor is not stated—probably too numerous to mention.
We have the satisfaction of hearing from several sources that Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is all it claims to be—a genuinely good preparation.
Publ. *Molly Stark*, Toulon, Ill.
"Oh! it is expedient to have a giant's strength" and walk the earth free and happy again, was what the man said when he had cured his ten-year rheumatism with a bottle of Salvation Oil. 25 cents.
The Christmas plush goods, displayed at W. C. Armstrong's drug store are greatly admired by the ladies and gentlemen who have no trouble in making quick selections at reasonable figures. The assortment—best embraces all manner plush toilet articles, useful and ornamental. 100-6
The Circuit Court.
Judge Wilkin will preside at the next term of the circuit court which convenes in January. The following are the names of the petit jurors drawn yesterday to serve during the term:
FIRST AND SECOND WEEKS.
T. B. Travis, Christopher Kruse, Harry L. Harris, Harry Grounds, Mt. Zion; M. N. Maddox, Long Creek; John L. Veach, Chancy Jackson, E. B. Smith, Oakley; T. J. Fleming, John A. Armstrong, Macon; Samuel Miller, Jerome Shuler, John Strope, Wm. Jacobs, S. L. Cronce, Whitmore; E. P. Beach, Frank Bloom, A. J. Thompson, J. T. Finley, J. P. Auer, E. W. Shively, Wm. Kossack, Henry Myers, W. J. Wayne, C. H. Kopley, George H. Welty, Thomas Paulwell, Deatur; Allen Tolbert, Nantle; Lewis M. Purline, Wheatland; Wm. T. Murphy, Milton; Minor Alspa, Charles Jones, Maroa; John Shannon, L. Fisher, Friends Creek; J. D. Childs, Hill; E. M. Crow, Pleasant View.
THIRD AND FOURTH WEEKS.
W. J. Brown, Marlon Hall, D. A. Reemé, Isaac Brown, Albert Barnes, John Gross, P. Sime, G. W. Patterson, Aaron Snick, Adam Scott, L. C. Ellis, Homer Montgomery, E. G. Doffman, Andrew Reister, Mike Cavanaugh, Thomas J. Hughes, R. P. Lytle, George W. Myers, Jesse Fisher, M. Hiltman, J. P. Jones, J. L. Peter, Jr., Joseph Powell, Theo. Coleman, Frank Skelley, Deatur; G. W. Reizen, D. B. Selp, Whitmore; Peter Seelberger, H. C. Ferrell, Hickory Point; Monroe Glen, Wheatland; Charles Ward, Robert Warrick, Blue Mount; W. M. Force, Long Creek; W. L. Lichtenberger, Oakley; Wm. Armstrong, Friends Creek; Wm. Branton, Nantle.
The SPENCER & LEHMAN Co. sell the old reliable Peter Shuttler and Molise Wagons. Nov. 9-d&wt
HILL & BEATTY, south side Central Park, sell the celebrated Standard Rotary Sewing Machine. This machine is acknowledged by all unprejudiced mechanics and sewing machine experts to be superior to anything else in the world in its line for durability, power, speed, ease of operation, elegance of finish and beauty. Call at their store and see the Standard in operation. n18-dawlm
Chicago Grain Market.
The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1 p. m. to-day, received by G. C. Caldwell, agent of J. M. Shaw & Co., Commission Merchants:
WHEAT—75½ Dec; 75½ Jan; 70½ Feb; 82½ May.
CORN—47½ Dec; 47½ Jan; 48½ Feb; 53 May.
OATS—30½ Dec; 29½ Jan; 30½ Feb; 33½ May.
PORK—\$14.55 Jan; \$14.67 Feb; \$15.15 May.
LARD—\$7.47 Jan; \$7.57 Feb; \$7.85 May.
RICE—\$7.57 Jan; \$7.67 Feb; \$7.97 May.
Live Stock—Estimated receipts—Hogs 25,000; market firm.
Cattle, 12,000; market easier.
Car Lots—Wheat: Winter 5; Spring, 60; Corn, 130; Oats, 75.
An Audience in Hysterics.
The Detroit Free Press describing the effects of the presentation of the world-famous humorous creation, "Skipped by the Light of the Moon," upon the audiences of that city says:
At the beginning of the performance last night the ladies of the audience, vaguely conscious of the prim proprieties to which they are used, stuffed their pretty little white handkerchiefs into their pretty little mouths; but they soon yielded to the inevitable, and before the second act ended they were breaking their bonnet strings and gasping hysterically in their efforts to catch their breath between shrieks. It was a complete surrender to the mad spirit of the hour, and the more the audience laughed the greater seemed their provocation to laugh.
The production will be the attraction at the opera house next Friday evening by Fowler & Warrington's famous company.
Not a Bad Plan.
We learn from the Springfield Journal that "the Wabash railway, since coming under Gen. McNulta's direction, has adopted a system of rewarding the section bosses for the faithful and economic performance of their duties. The road is divided into districts and the districts into sections. Each section is under the care of a section boss who directs the labor of the hands employed to keep the track in repair. In each district two prizes are given, one of \$45 to the section boss who has, during the preceding year, kept his section in the best order at the least expense to the company, and one of \$25.00 to the second best. Each mile of the road is inspected by a board of officers, and the expense is averaged so much to the mile, so that a boss who has a short section will have no advantage over one who works a long section. The tables showing the condition and the cost of keeping in repair each district, section and mile of the road, has just been issued. It was compiled by Charles Hensel, the civil engineer for this division of the road. It also shows who won the prizes on each section.
For forty years Ayer's Cherry Pectoral has been demonstrated to be the most reliable remedy in use, for colds, coughs, and lung diseases. Slight colds should not be neglected. The Pectoral will prevent their becoming chronic.
The children of "Grace Mission" will give on Thursday evening, December 22d, at the East Eldorado Guild Hall a musical entertainment which will be opened with a chorus of human sunflowers who will give selections from the operas Martha, Bohemian Girl, Mikado, etc., concluding with the cantata, "Santa-Clara's Mistake," or "A Bundle of Sticks." Proceeds to go towards the children's Xmas. Give them a liberal patronage. nov18dt
Go to The Spencer & Lehman Co. for Wood Pumps, Chain Pumps and Iron Force Pumps. Nov 9-d&wt
Tax Hercules white shirts are the best and only one dollar. LINN & SCRUGGS. d&w
Entertainment
at Edmond street Mission Chapel on the evening of Dec. 16th. Doors open at 7:30. Tickets 25 cents. This school numbers about 200 children. They need more seats, more literature, more money for a free entertainment on Christmas. It is a good school. Buy a ticket and help it in its good work. 12dt
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Dress Goods,
In French, German and American Novelties, very handsome and cheap, just received. LINN & SCRUGGS. d&w
Light-weight Flannel Shirts, neatly made, perfect fits, elegant shades, well adapted for clerks, book-keepers and business men generally. at R. STINE'S.
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Publication Notice in Chancery.
STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss.
MACON COUNTY.
In the Circuit Court—To the January Term, A. D. 1888.
Mary C. Moreland versus John R. Moreland—in Chancery. Bill for Divorce. No. 12,966.
Notice is hereby given to you, the said John R. Moreland, respondent in the above entitled cause, that Mary C. Moreland, the complainant in the same, has heretofore filed in said court on the chancery side, heretofore, a bill of complaint against you, the said respondent, for a divorce, and that a summons in chancery thereupon issued out of said court against you in said cause, returnable at the court house of said county, in the city of Decatur, on the first day of the next term of said court, to-wit, on the second Monday in the month of January, A. D. 1888, and that said bill is still pending in said court.
E. MCQUELLAN, Clerk.
WM. T. CUSINS, Complainant's Solicitor.
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Notice.
Notice is hereby given in pursuance of the statute in said case made and provided, that on Thursday, the 22d day of December, instant, I will call on to be presented to His Excellency, the Governor of Illinois, at the Executive Department at Springfield, Ill., my application for pardon for the offense for which I am now imprisoned in the Illinois state penitentiary.
HARRY GRIFFIN.
DECATUR, ILL., Dec. 1st, 1887. d&w

THE VERY LATEST!
Just received, a Large Invoice of
NEW CLOAKS,
Ladies' and Children's Wraps
of every description.
THE LATEST NOVELTIES IN
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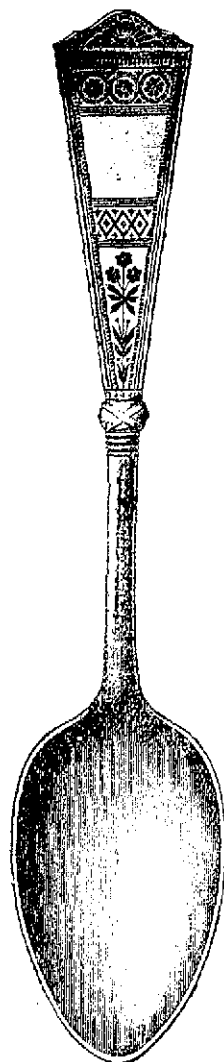
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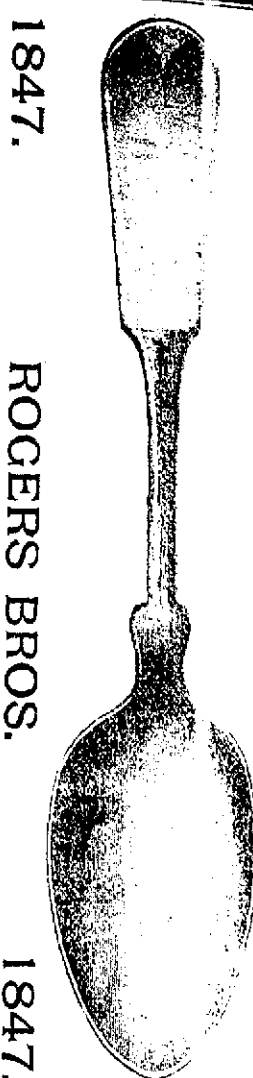
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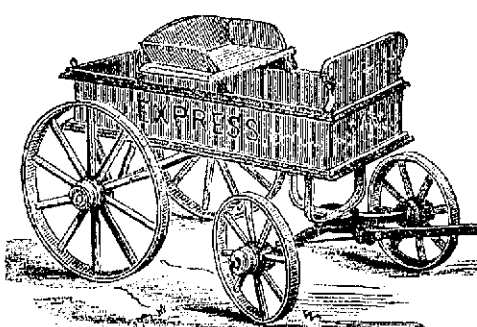
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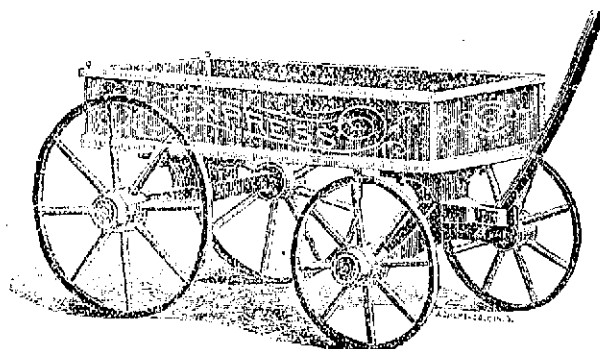
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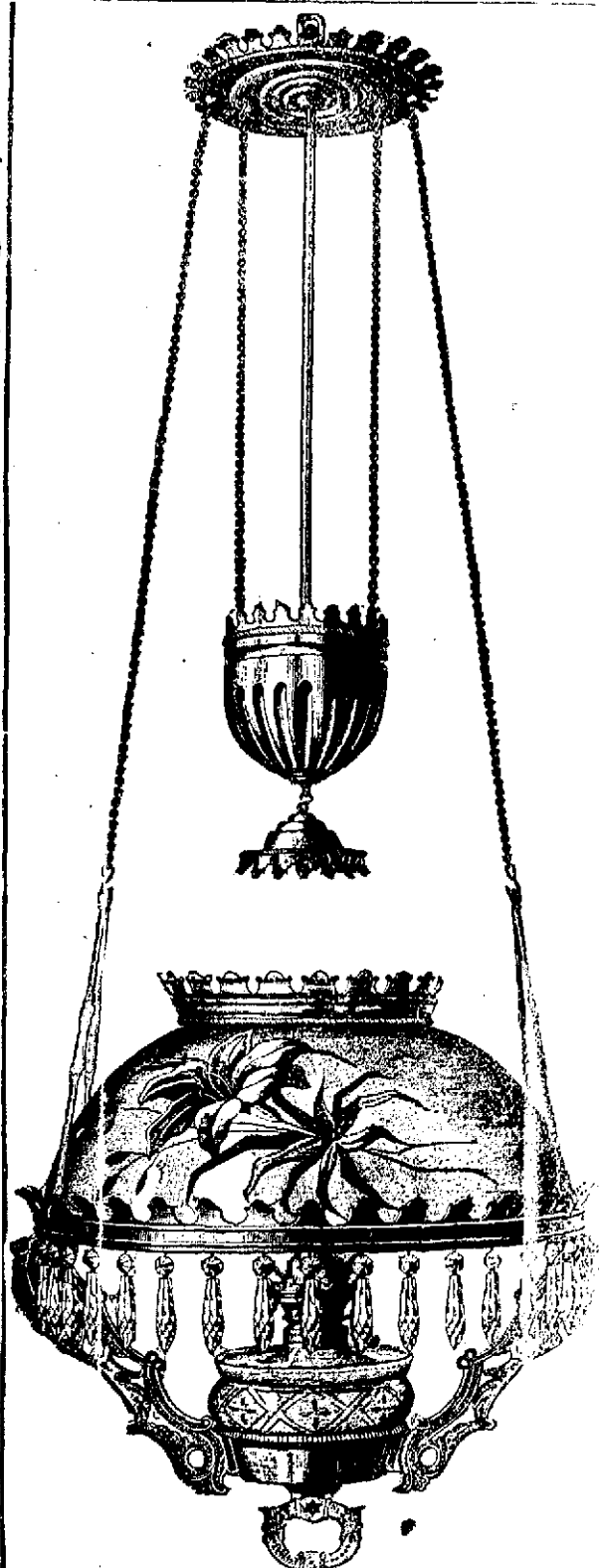
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